Silent night-Holy night

"Silent Night! Holy Night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child,
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleeps in heavenly peace,
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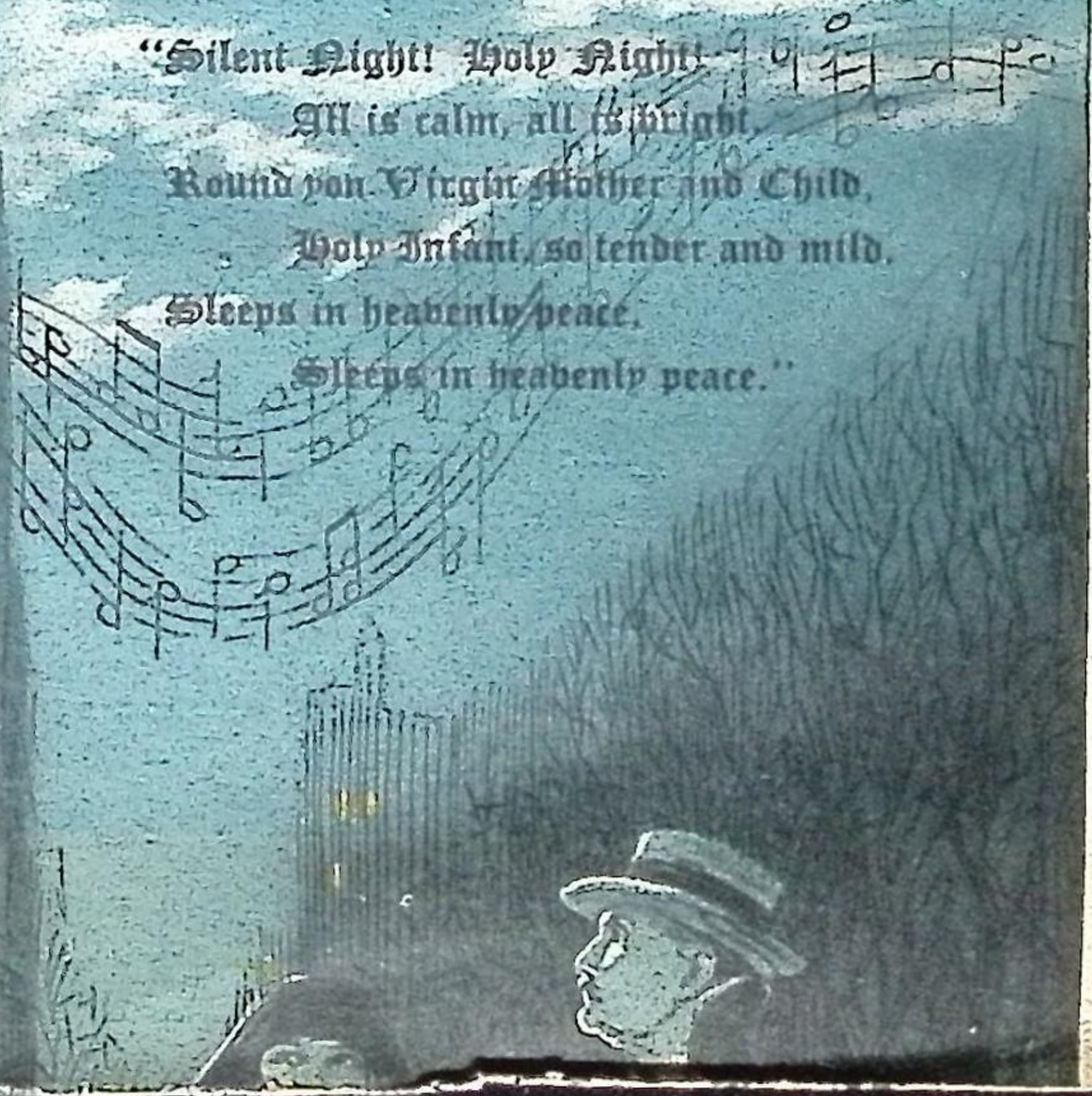

THE PLEASANT WAYS OF CHRISTIAN LIVING.

Prov.3:17 Her ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace.

INTRO. The wisdom of thetextis religious wisdom, the fear of the Lord, obedience to God: best exemplified in the Xn religion.

It is not religion but the lack of it that makes people unhappy. Religion gives us the bright things of life, but sin gives us the dark things

Misconception of religion- that we must sacrifice all the pleasures of this life in order to gain the rewards of the next. —

Religion goes down to the deepest springs of our mental and spiritual well-being. It takes the sting out of the past, the worry out of the present and the fear out of the future.

I. The way of the Xn religion makes for safety and security.
We walk with God who is our refuge and our strength.
"He that keepeth Israel neither slumbers nor sleeps."

II. The Xn religion gives us all the good things of Life.
The whole world belongs to our Heavenly Father. In X we are heirs to all the blessings from God's hands. It is'nt true that this world belongs to the devil- it belongs to God and to God's children. "Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come."

III. The Xn religion puts joy into all our work.
It gives us the highest motive for work=service to others.
The boy left in charge of sister. "I tried to make sister happy. She would not be happy but I was happy trying."

IV. The Xn Hope for the End of the Journey.
The shining ones who will take us to heaven's rewards.

Conclusion. Because of what the Xn religion is doing for us we ought to be joyful and truly happy.
For X's sake we ought to radiate joy